

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

The School Building Committee(“SBC”) was formed in January 2007 in response to the new regulations of the Massachusetts School Building Authority(“MSBA”) setting forth guidelines for membership on committees in municipalities undertaking school building projects. The School Committee in July 2006 had submitted a Statement of Interest to the MSBA, requesting funding for a high school project. The SBC is developing the High School project .

The members on the SBC were: Katherine Babson, chair and the representative from the Board of Selectmen; Hans Larsen, the Town’s Executive Director; Matt King, Superintendent of Schools; Bella Wong, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Rena Mirkin, High School principal; Suzy Littlefield, representative from the School Committee; Morris “Rusty” Kellogg, representative of the Advisory Committee; Steve Gagosian, representative of the Permanent Building Committee; Kathy Mullaney , Permanent Building Committee Projects Administrator; John Donahue, Town Facilities Director; Cynthia Westerman, resident, Project Manager; Tom Goemaat, resident, contractor; and Steve Baker, resident, architect.

The SBC requested an appropriation of \$800,000 at the Annual Town Meeting to fund architectural fees for planning purposes. A series of public forums were held in May to review various “fit tests”, the massing and footprint of the building on the high school site.